किए गए कुल 1244 तथा 304 नए कनेक्शनों में से क्रमशः 1119 और 266 मामलों में निरीक्षण प्रभार लिए गए।

मैसर्स जी एस० एंटरप्राइजिज, दिल्ली द्वारा गैस की ढुलाई करने वाले व्यक्तियों को पूरी राशि का भुगतान न किया जाना

3573. **श्री सुनील कुमार पट्टनायक :** क्या पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) तेल कम्पनी द्वारा तरलीकृत पेट्रोलियम गैस के वितरक मैसर्स जी. एस० एंटरप्राइजिस शालीमार पार्क, शाहदरा, दिल्ली को गस सिलेंडर उपभोक्ताओं के घर तक ढुलाई करने हेतु प्रति सिलेंडर पर किस दर से कमीशन दिया जाता है

(ख) वितरक द्वारा उस कमीशन में से गस सिलेंडर की ढुलाई करने वाले व्यक्ति को प्रति सिलडर कितनी राशि दी जाती है ;

(ग) क्या यह भी सच है कि ढुलाई मजदूरो को केवल 45 प्रतिशत राशि दी जाती है ;

(घ) यदि हां, तो उसके क्या कारण हैं और क्या तेल कम्पनी के अधिकारियों ने कभी इस बात का पता लगाया है ;

(ङ) यदि हां, तो उसका ब्यौरा क्या है और गैस की ढुलाई करने वाले मजदूरों को, तेल कम्पनी के आदेशों के अनुसार, पूरी राशि का भुगतान करने का कोई प्रस्ताव है ; और

(च) यदि हां, तो कब तक और यदि नहीं, तो उसके क्या कारण है ?

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री ब्रह्म दत्त) : (क) एल० पी० जी० वितरकों को कमीशन के रूप में 5.30 रुपये प्रति सिलिण्डर दिए जाते हैं।

(ख) से (च) डिलिवरी स्टाफ तथा वितरकों के बीच का सबध कर्मचारी और मालिक का होता है और दोनो पार्टियो के बीच अन्तर कार्यवाही के द्वारा कर्मचारी को अदायगी निश्चित की जाती है ।

Decreasing trend of oil production in Assam Oil fields

3574. SHRI JAGADISH JANI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact the production of crude in Assam Oil fields is decreasing every year;

(b) whether the target set for crude production in Assam Oil fields could not be achieved;

(c) if so, what are the reasons thereof; and

(d) what steps are being taken to increase the oil production in Assam oil fields?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI BRAHM DUTT): (a) There is decline in production in certain oilfields of Oil India Limited.

(b) Yes, Sir. The oil production during 1987-88 has been less than targetted.

(c) Disturbances caused by bunds etc. have affected production. Besides, in case of Oil India Limited, sudden exodus of trained technical manpower, faster decline in production from the ageing of Nahorkatiya and Moran Oil fields and lower than anticipated production from newly developing Jorajan oilfields have also contributed to decline in production.

(d) Some of the steps being taken to increase crude oil production by ONGC are increase in exploration activities, development of new fields, drilling of more development wells and introduction of latest equipment and modern technology. The steps being taken and proposed by Oil India Limited relate to hiring of specialised consultancy and man-management

services, acquisition of gas compression units for presure maintenance in depleting oil reerves and early commercial production of new oilfields.

Bifurcation of Telecommunication Research Centre

3575. SHRI JAGADISH JANI: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any proposal to bifurcate the Telecommunication Research Centre;

(b) if so, the date from which the proposal would be implemented;

(c) the reasons for bifurcating the Research Centre; and

(d) what would be the role of each division after bifurcation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir, the proposal has been implemented from 3-8-1988 onwards.

(c) The TRC was set up in 1955 for:

(i) undertaking basic R&D

(ii) new products development in the field of Telecommunications and to furnish the necessary higher level technical support to the department.

Although valuable work was done by the TRC over the years, a basic conflict in the two roles of the TRC was observed in actual practice.

To overcome the short comings and bring back focus on the two important but seperate activities and make the organisation more performance oriented it was decided to re-organise the existing TRC into two separate units.

(d) Existing TRC has been bifurcated into two units; viz;

(i) Telecommunication Engineering Centre (TEC); and

(ii) Telecom. Research Centre (TRC).

Role of these units are under:

(i) TEC—This will be an S&T institution in term of instructions issued by Scientific Advisory Committee to the Cabinet and will continue to work as a part of the Department of Telecommunications. This unit will carry out the following activities:—

(1) Support to field units for local network and to Directorate for the national network planning;

(2) Coordination and Evaluation of new products equipments and systems developed by all development agencies;

(3) Drawing up of engineering specifications for new products equipment, systems and networks to be used in network of the Department of Telecommunications;

(4) Provide engineering support to the Department in tender evaluation, trial of equipment and adaptation for the network;

(5) Investigation into operational problems, minor modifications to equipment, methods, etc.

(6) Software support to operations; and

(7) Support to field units in development of tools and test and maintenance aids for specific problems and local system needs.

(ii) TRC(New)—This new TRC is an autonomous Scientific Society with total authority and flexibility. This society will be funded by the Department of Telecom. & has been registered under Act XXI of 1860 & came into force w.e.f. 3-8-1988: This unit will carry out the following activities:—

(1) Develop new products specifically required in the transmission area of telecommunications network public, private and specialised;

(2) Develop new technologies in the field for telecommunications; and